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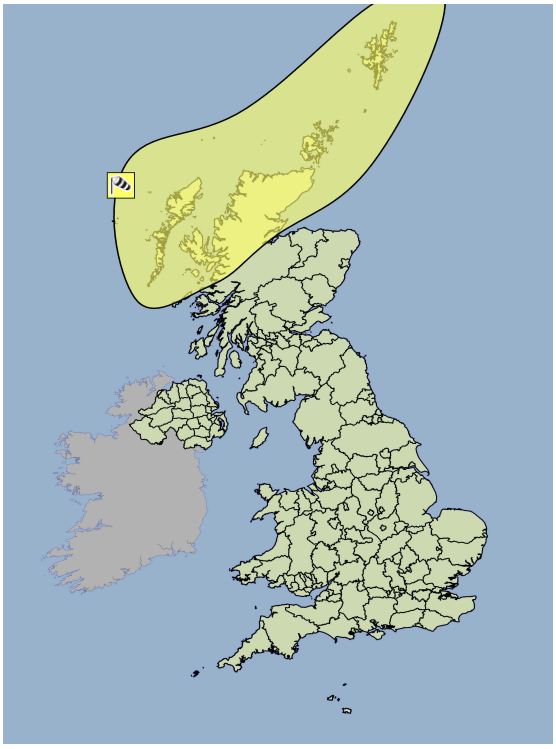

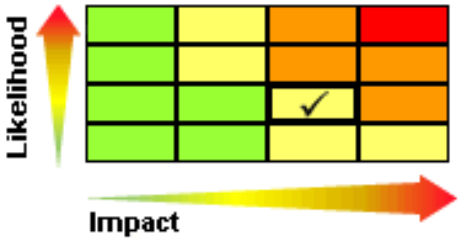

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A vigorous depression is expected to develop over the Atlantic during Thursday in association with a very strong jet stream. The depression is likely to run rapidly east northeast to pass northern Scotland early on Friday bringing a brief period of very strong winds to many northern areas of Britain. At present there remains some uncertainty in the precise track and depth of this depression and therefore the exact strength and location of the strongest winds. As such, the situation remains somewhat uncertain and the public should keep up to date with the latest warnings. There is the possibility that this warning may be upgraded to Amber.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Wind**

Valid from **00:05 on Fri, 09th Jan 2015** until **15:00 on Fri, 09th Jan 2015**

A vigorous depression is expected to run rapidly east passing northern Scotland early on Friday. Winds will begin to increase late on Thursday to give a period of very strong westerly winds across the north of the Scottish mainland and the Western and Northern Isles during Friday. Gusts of 70 mph are likely quite widely with a risk of 80-90 mph gusts. Winds should quickly ease from the west during the day.

The public should be aware of the potential for disruption to transport as well as power supplies and the possibility of structural damage. Large waves may also lead to dangerous conditions along some coasts.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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